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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Thomas Ruban et al.

Applic. No. : 09/343,859

Filed : June 30, 1999

Title : Method And Apparatus For Routing In A
Communication Or Data Network, Or In A
Network Of Communication And Data Networks

Examiner : Melanie Jagannathan

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Responsive to the Office action dated October 3, 2002 kindly
amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 1 (amended). A method of routing in a data network,
which comprises:

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receiving a data packet by a network node in the network;